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RATION POINTS REDUCED ON SHOES AND WEARING APPAREL

## SHOE RATION POINTS LOWERED -- Svobodne Slovo, No 79, 3 Apr 49

Beginning 4 April 1949 several kinds of shoes will be available at reduced ration points.

Shoes costing 60 points will be reduced to 45; those costing 30 points will be reduced to 25. Children's sandals will be reduced from 10 to 5 points; sandals for adults and boys, from 15 to 5 points. Athletic shoes are reduced from 10 to 5 points, children's athletic shoes from 5 to 2 points, while children's outdoor shoes are reduced from 20 to 15 points.

In addition, 30 points from the back of the clothing ration book may be used, for all types of footwear. These were originally released only for the purchase of winter shoes, but a week ago were also extended to ready-made clothing.

## WORK CLOTHING DISTRIBUTED -- Prace, No 80, 5 Apr 49

The Central Trade Union Council's (URC) Central Commission for Workers' Supplies issued a total of 374,000 orders for work clothes during February and March. This included 65,000 work blouses, 140,000 twill trousers, 45,000 overalls, 34,000 work coats, and 90,000 work trousers of various materials.

Although production of individual items far exceeded the demand, all orders, could not be honored on time. The Supply Commission has made an arrangement with the Ministry of Internal Trade whereby unfilled orders will be filled as soon as possible.

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**EXTRA RATIONS FOR BLOOD DONORS --** Prece, No 78, 2 Apr 49

The Ministry of Food has approved a suggestion of the Ministry of Health whereby blood donors may receive extra food rations. Donors of 120-300 cubic centimeters of blood are to receive 900 grams of meat, 375 grams of grits, 5 eggs, and 5 liters of homogenized milk. For more than 300 cubic centimeters, the donor receives tickets for 1,800 grams of pork, 750 grams of grits, 10 eggs, and 10 liters of homogenized milk.

**PRAGUE REPAIRS WAR DAMAGE --** Svetobodne Slovo, No 80, 5 Apr 49

In Prague Kraj 4,343 dwellings units, 3,260 commercial units, and 768 other units were destroyed or damaged during the war. Of these, work had begun on 703 dwelling units, 351 commercial units, and 113 other units by the end of last year, at a total cost of more than 409 million crowns. There are 2,129 dwellings, 2,168 commercial units, and 439 other units yet to be restored, at a cost of nearly 2 billion crowns.

**POINTS REDUCED ON KNITTED GOODS --** Zemelske Noviny, No 81, 6 Apr 49

Effective 7 April 1949, ration points required for women's jersey and knitted wool dresser will be reduced from 42 to 25 points.

Men's coarse socks of vigogne yarn will be reduced from 4 to 1 points.

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